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ORIGIN OF USEFULNESS.

BY J. M. GROVER.

Author of the present management of Country Post Offices.
Also the improvement in Cash Account adopted by the
Post Office Department of Canada, July 1st 1881.

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A LETTER

*To The Honorable Members of the Senate and the
House of Commons of Canada:*

GENTLEMEN:—Many expressions go to no purpose, but in speaking of individuals who are styled statesmen, some little reflection on the old maxim, 'measures not men,' should, I think, be the chief proof to account for the consciousness of the person who substitutes statesman to the individual instead of some more suitable appellation. Such, I regret to say, is the miscarriage of the press and the leading orators at Ottawa; for those who are born to pass on such echoes are the people, and as there is nothing impossible to industry, the people of Canada may not only cease

to pass on these echoes, but declare they have ever been without a statesman.

A conscious impression is the first move to be made by any one in order to arrive at a proper conclusion. The origin of anything may be the place of beginning, the mind being centered there shows the subject is not fictitious, and part of the conclusion is obtained. Then let us arrive in British North America for the first time, we are conscious of being here. Did we light like a balloon, to fill up and leave again? Then let us consider the migratory expression of the Canadian people and consider its cause.

We have a recognised House of Commons in England, we have and we haven't a recognised one in Canada which we all admit, therefore a statesman in Canada may not get a conscious impression to arrive at a proper conclusion, which is absurd. The clear mind of the foreigner must have a shadowy opinion of Canada's abstract, which accounts to a great extent for the rapid growth of the Un-

ited States. A further explanation of our system of government, like virginity, is as inaccessible as the Island of St. Branda, and closes the school of inquiry by suggesting the potentially infinite, or a long look across the Atlantic. If we are in a position to demand representation in England with like indemnity accorded their members, being recognised owners of the British Empire. I say you representatives of the Senate and House of Commons at Ottawa, dissolve and remain dissolved. Such a dissolution would result in our having the cheap goods and comforts of the Old World, her reputation and immigration. I have no doubt, however, that if Canada were cut out of the earth like a slice from a pound cake, we would find Canadian ministers or officials of the Canadian Pacific Railway to represent the perpendicular sides rather than sacrifice their auspicious circumstances and believe in the attraction of gravity, then run chances of their lights being put out in conferring with members of the British House of Com-

mons. Besides the attention of the Mother Country in decorating the lives and tombs of our natives and statesmen is one of the impartial initiations of her ability to help govern this country.

Yours truly

Winnipeg, July 1st 1891. J. M GROVER.



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